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In re Patent Application of

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PREPARING A SLURRY OF ADD-ON MATERIAL TO BE APPLIED TO

A WEB

Mail Stop Amendment

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the April 18, 2006 Official Action requiring election of Group I (Claims 1-5), Group II (Claims 6-9), Group III (Claims 10-12) or Group IV (Claims 13-22), Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the invention covered by Group I (Claims 1-5). Claims 6-9 are directed to a subcombination of method steps recited in Claim 1 and therefore should be examined along with Claims 1-5. Claims 10-12 are directed to a subcombination of method steps recited in Claims 1, 4 and 5 and therefore should be examined along with Claims 1-5. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application to pursue the subject mater of non-elected Claims 13-22.

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Respectfully submitted,

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